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Sir:

Please find enclosed Applicants' Response under 37 C.F.R. §1 111. Please charge any deficiencies or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-0951.

Respectfully submitted,

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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

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Sir:

In response to the office action mailed October 6, 2005, please amend the aboveidentified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this submission.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 8 of this submission.

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